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# CHICKEN DANCE

## CHICK-FIL-A BECOMES GROUND ZERO FOR GAY MARRIAGE FIGHT

### CNN

The row over same-sex marriage saw crowds of Christians flocking to Chick-fil-A on Wednesday, while same-sex couples will turn up at the fast-food chain Friday for public displays of affection.

Both events are intended as mass shows of support by people on both sides of the marriage issue and mark the latest round in a long-standing beef that gay and lesbian rights groups have with Chick-fil-A's leadership, which has openly espoused biblical values, not only in its operating principles, but in its conservative definition of family as well.

The controversy came to a boil after an interview with the fast-food restaurant chain's president and COO, Dan Cathy, appeared in The Baptist Press on July 16, in which he weighed in with his views on family.

"We are very much supportive of the family — the biblical definition of the family unit," Cathy said.

"We are a family-owned business, a family-led business, and we are married to our first wives. We give God thanks for that."

Proponents of same-sex marriage spread Cathy's comments, eventually creating a fire-

### CARDINAL'S STATEMENT

Cardinal Francis George, whose relationship with Chicago's gay community has been strained at times, weighed in Wednesday on Ald. Joe Moreno's pledge to block Chick-fil-A from entering his neighborhood. "I was born and raised here, and my understanding of being a Chicagoan never included submitting my value system to the government for approval," he said in a statement posted on his blog.

storm of criticism on social media, including assertions that his comments and position were bigoted and hateful.

A handful of politicians joined in denouncing or backing Cathy's remarks.

Former GOP presidential candidates Mike Huckabee and Rick Santorum encouraged people to show their support for Chick-fil-A by buying food there Wednesday. Huckabee dubbed the day Chick-fil-A Appreciation Day and touted it via his TV and radio shows and online.

More than 550,000 visitors to Huckabee's event page on Facebook have responded that



**ABOVE:** Traffic was jammed and lines were long at the Chick-fil-A in Lexington, S.C., on Wednesday as thousands bought food, most in support of the company owner's stance on marriage. MCT

**LEFT:** Chicago Republican chairman Adam Robinson (right) and vice chairman Chris Cleveland address the media Wednesday before filing a complaint against Ald. Joe Moreno (1st), who has said he will block Chick-fil-A from opening a restaurant in his ward.

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they will participate. The action enjoys the support of the Rev. Billy Graham.

Proponents of same-sex marriage organized a simple counter-protest for Wednesday, asking people to donate the approximate cost of a Chick-fil-A meal, about \$6.50, to gay and lesbian rights organizations, according to the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation.

Friday's protest promises to be the more visible, as GLAAD is backing a National Same-Sex Kiss Day to take place at Chick-

fil-A restaurants nationwide and encourages participants to take and post photos to the Internet.

The organization says on Facebook that this particular protest is not a response to Huckabee's call to demonstration and that it was already announced July 19 — three days after the interview with Chick-fil-A's president was published.

GLAAD encourages supporters not to go in groups and to keep the kisses on the conservative side.



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# Your cheat sheet to being a man



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Men's magazines are always telling guys to be "alpha males," some sort of super-being who rocks thousand-dollar double-monk loafers while dating models and cultivating shredded abs. It isn't the most believable lifestyle, and emulating it will only leave you broke and unhappy. Or will it?

The thing is, all guys can summon right qualities—funny but sensitive, aggressive in the sack but attentive, etc.—when they need to. The key is moderation and balance.

It's not a perfect science, but I think I've figured out the formula to being the best man you can be. If 100 percent equals the ultimate awesome male, then here's how it should break down.

## Bro: 15 percent

Yep! Guys should have a decent amount of bro tendencies. Watch sports and feel a certain way about them! Don't watch sports? Pick something else. Work out and stay healthy. Laugh loud and don't give a crap what people think about it. Don't be super passive when it comes dating. I want it known publicly that I love Jager bombs, the White Sox and Florida State football. Got a problem with that? COME AT ME, BRO! (See how easy it is?)

## Creativity: 20 percent

There's no reason whatsoever to not contribute to the world you live in. Create something, whether it be a screenplay or a deck. Build something with your hands or

your keyboard. Take pride in losing yourself in something you love doing. Share it with people, even if it sucks. Stay on it until it doesn't anymore.

## Emotion: 10 percent

There's this mindset that "real men" don't show emotion. Screw that! Weddings? Awesome. Love? Beautiful. Bassett hounds playing with babies? The best. If that makes me a pansy, then pans me up.

## Boy Scout: 30 percent

Not the whole "don't be tolerant of gay people" thing, but the basic ideals that the Scouts are supposed to exemplify: Be a good citizen. Don't steal, lie or be an a-hole to your fellow man. Help people, call your grandparents on Sundays, and go to a game with your dad.

## Sex machine: 15 percent

That's riiiight. Be a mix of "I Want You"-era Marvin Gaye, James Deen and the last five characters Channing Tatum has played ("Magic Mike" included). That special someone deserves you consistently rocking his or her brains out on a semi-frequent basis. Do the dates, do the flowers, do the damn thing (and always protect yourself).

## Nerd: 10 percent

Be super passionate and informed about something—anything—to the point that you can spout off random trivia. The NBA, the history of Chicago, New Jack Swing—doesn't matter. Just be able to conduct a solid conversation and then keep it going.

So there you go—a brief breakdown to being a better guy. And you don't even have to buy a suit made of mohair! Mohair is a thing, right? ERNEST WILKINS IS CHICAGO'S WINGMAN.



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Ah, our favorite part of the week. How can we help you discover more hilarious, weird or awesome ways to procrastinate and waste time? Check out these Tumblrs. They're good for your health. —JESSICA GALLIART, REDEYE SOCIAL MEDIA LADY

## NBA Hipsters

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We knew these NBA stars were hipsters before they were featured on this Tumblr. So, there.

## Rahmblr

rahmblr.tumblr.com

Can someone update this thing, for crying out loud? Dedicated to Mayor Emanuel, this clever mash-up-named blog has a lot of potential but hasn't had a new post since February.



"Did I do thaaaaat?"



## RedEye Chicago

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Friendly reminder—we're on here, and we're awesome. Click this weekend to see some fun Lollapalooza photos and more.



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Drew Peterson attorney Joel Brodsky (center) leaves the Will County Courthouse on the second day of Peterson's trial. **ZBIGNIEW SZYDAK/TRIBUNE**

**DREW PETERSON TRIAL**

## Grounds for mistrial?

**Judge calls recess while defense plots its next move**

**Reuters**

Defense attorneys sought a mistrial Wednesday for former Bolingbrook police Sgt. Drew Peterson, who is charged with killing his third wife, claiming the prosecution improperly introduced evidence.

It was the second mistrial request in as many days in the murder trial of Peterson before Judge Edward Burmila. Defense attorneys want the charges against Peterson dropped and the judge to declare that he cannot be retried on them.

Instead of ruling immediately on the mistrial motion, the judge granted a request to let Peterson's lawyers think through the matter until Thursday morning. Burmila has suggested that, instead of calling a mistrial, the testimony of Thomas Pontarelli be stricken from the record.

On Tuesday, Pontarelli, Peterson's next-door neighbor, testified that he found a .38-caliber cartridge nose-up on his driveway in 2002, which he believed Peterson had placed there to intimidate him.

Defense attorneys said that because there is no proof Peterson put the bullet there, prosecutors should not have elicited the testimony.

Peterson is charged with the murder of Kathleen Savio, who was found dead in a dry bathtub in 2004. Her death initially was ruled an accident. But when Peterson's fourth wife, Stacy Peterson, disappeared in 2007, suspicions were raised and the Savio death was ruled a homicide. Stacy Peterson has never been found and is presumed dead.

Defense attorney Steve Greenberg objected when Pontarelli testified about finding the cartridge, saying prosecutors were introducing "prior bad acts" and attempting to "dirty up Mr. Peterson."

### THE FIRST ATTEMPT

Judge Edward Burmila on Tuesday denied a defense request for a mistrial after Will County State's Attorney James Glasgow told jurors in an opening statement that a man Drew Peterson worked with at a cable TV installation company had said under oath that Peterson offered him \$25,000 to find a hit-man to kill Savio. Burmila ruled that prosecutors could not use testimony from the man.

Burmila questioned prosecutor Kathleen Patton on the bullet testimony. Patton said prosecutors had sought to show jurors that Pontarelli and Peterson were not friends. Peterson has denied putting the bullet in the driveway.

The testimony of family, friends and associates is key to the prosecution case against Peterson because there is little physical evidence tying him to Savio's death. **TRIBUNE CONTRIBUTED**



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## Support flows for beaten vet

**Chicago Tribune**

Two days after a band of young robbers left **Porter B. Cross** battered on a sidewalk, the World War II veteran walked into Zizic Dental to be fitted for a free set of dentures. Cross' old ones broke Monday when three attackers punched and kicked him on his weekly stroll to a neighborhood store on the South Side.

But before the exam started, the Zizic Dental staff presented Cross with two cupcakes and serenaded him with the "Happy Birthday" song. The retired postal worker turns 88 on Thursday.

As birthday weeks go, this one started out pretty lousy. But since hearing about Cross' attack, people from Chicago to Georgia have rallied around the West Englewood grandfather.

One person wants to sponsor Cross on a trip to the National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. Another heard that Cross' hearing aids fell out during the beating and offered a replacement set. Others offered money or best wishes or sympathy.

"It makes me feel a little bit better, because there's still a whole lot of nice people," Cross said.

### EXPRESS LINES

» Eric Ferguson, the male half of the "Eric and Kathy" morning duo on WTMX (101.9-FM), on Tuesday sold his six-bedroom, 6,000-square-foot mansion in Lincoln Park for \$2.63 million.

» A man died Wednesday when he tried to cross the tracks at the California station on the Blue Line and came into contact with the third rail, according to police and the transit agency. **TRIBUNE**



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# HOMICIDE TRACKER

By Tracy Swartz

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Austin and South Deering each saw two homicides in the past week, a RedEye analysis of preliminary police data found.

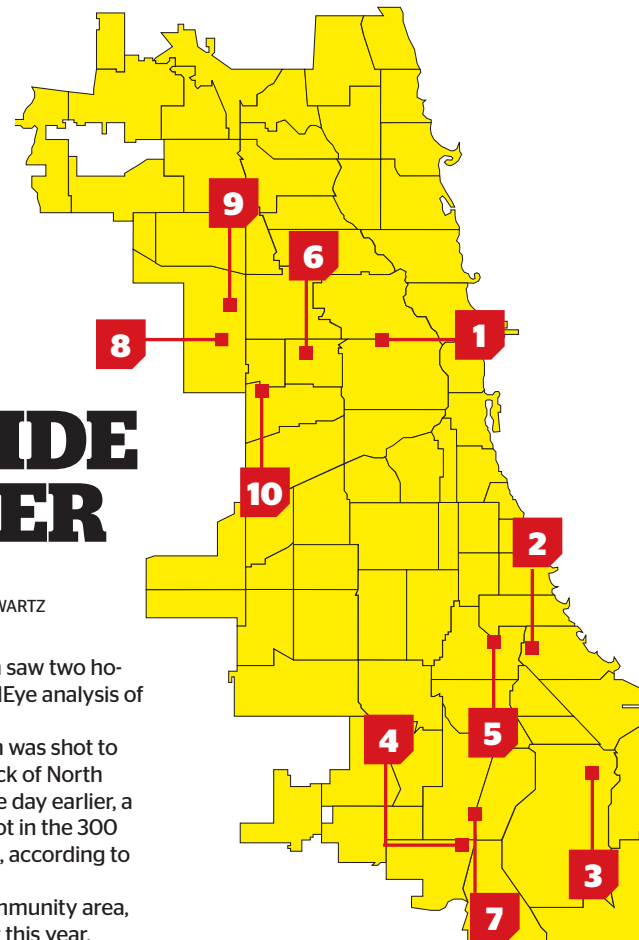
In Austin, an 18-year-old man was shot to death Tuesday in the 1000 block of North Lawler Avenue, police said. One day earlier, a 39-year-old man was fatally shot in the 300 block of North Latrobe Avenue, according to officials.

Austin, Chicago's largest community area, has logged 22 homicides so far this year, RedEye data shows. The West Side community recorded 30 homicides last year, according to RedEye data.

In South Deering, a 20-year-old man and a 31-year-old man were shot to death July 26 in the 10000 block of South Torrence Avenue, the community's second double homicide in three days, RedEye determined.

South Deering has logged six homicides so far this year. The South Side community area recorded three homicides last year, RedEye data found.

Citywide, gunshot homicides were logged in the last week in East Garfield Park, Greater Grand Crossing, the Near West Side, North



Lawndale, South Shore and West Pullman, RedEye determined.

Meanwhile, a 1-year-old Roseland girl died Saturday of head trauma, and the Cook County Medical Examiner's Office ruled her death a homicide.

July ended Tuesday with 49 homicides, down from 55 homicides in July 2011. This is the first year-over-year decrease in homicides since August 2011, RedEye determined.

No homicides have been logged in August. Thirty-seven homicides were recorded in August 2011, according to RedEye data.

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| <b>1</b> 1800 BLOCK OF W. WALNUT ST.<br>Date: July 25 Cause: Gunshot      | <b>6</b> 0 BLOCK OF N. HOMAN BLVD.<br>Date: July 27 Cause: Gunshot      |
| <b>2</b> 1400 BLOCK OF E. 73RD ST.<br>Date: July 25 Cause: Gunshot        | <b>7</b> 10900 BLOCK OF S. EBERHART AVE.<br>Date: July 28 Cause: Trauma |
| <b>3</b> 10000 BLOCK OF S. TORRENCE AVE.<br>Date: July 26 Cause: Gunshot  | <b>8</b> 300 BLOCK OF N. LATROBE AVE.<br>Date: July 30 Cause: Gunshot   |
| <b>4</b> 11600 BLOCK OF S. WENTWORTH AVE.<br>Date: July 26 Cause: Gunshot | <b>9</b> 1000 BLOCK OF N. LAWLER AVE.<br>Date: July 30 Cause: Gunshot   |
| <b>5</b> 7100 BLOCK OF S. RHODES AVE.<br>Date: July 26 Cause: Gunshot     | <b>10</b> 1300 BLOCK OF S. KOLIN AVE.<br>Date: July 31 Cause: Gunshot   |



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# 1 'Grey' topples 'Potter' in U.K.

The magic of J.K. Rowling seems to have worn off for British readers as erotic novel **"Fifty Shades of Grey"** outsold all seven Harry Potter books on **Amazon.co.uk** on Wednesday, making author E.L. James the website's best-selling writer ever. **BILL HOGAN/TRIBUNE**

# 2 Gore Vidal dies

The death of author Gore Vidal at his home in L.A. at the age of 86 brought tributes from around the globe Wednesday, as friends and fans mourned the passing of the man remembered as one of America's literary giants.

# 3 Corpse stolen in New Jersey

Thieves in New Jersey have stolen the corpse of a woman who died in 1996, leading to widespread (and so far unfounded) speculation that cult activity may be behind it. Authorities noticed the missing corpse last week.

# 4 No threat found at Texas airport

The San Antonio International Airport was evacuated for about 90 minutes Wednesday after a caller said three bombs were planted in a parking garage, but police did not find anything dangerous.

# 5 Lights back on in northern India

Crews restored full power to northern India on Wednesday as officials continued to search for the cause of the country's worst blackout in at least a decade.

# 6 Syrian president bolsters troops

President Bashar al-Assad told his troops Wednesday that their battle against rebels would decide Syria's fate, but his written message gave no clues to his whereabouts two weeks after a bomb attack hit his inner circle.

# Zimmerman judge: I won't back down

**7 SANFORD, Fla.** The judge in the George Zimmerman second-degree murder case has decided not to step aside.

Circuit Judge Kenneth Lester Jr. made that formal ruling Wednesday. That's a defeat for Zimmerman, who three weeks ago filed paperwork asking the judge to recuse himself from the case saying he feared Lester would not treat him fairly.

In a bond order, Lester described Zimmerman as a manipulator who was gaming the criminal justice system by hiding \$130,000 and keeping a secret passport.

The judge wrote in that earlier order that if not for a satellite monitoring system keeping track of his whereabouts, Zimmerman might well have fled.

In his ruling Wednesday, the judge made no

comment about the allegations of unfairness. He merely wrote that the motion was insufficient.

Defense attorney Mark O'Mara could appeal Lester's decision not to step aside. It was not immediately clear what he would do.

Shawn Vincent, who manages the George Zimmerman Legal Defense Fund website, said once O'Mara's team has a "thoughtful response" they will post the statement online.

Zimmerman is now free on \$1 million bail, awaiting trial for killing Trayvon Martin, an unarmed black 17-year-old whom he shot Feb. 26.

Zimmerman says he acted in self-defense, that Trayvon attacked and overpowered him and was beating his head into a sidewalk.

Prosecutors say Zimmerman is guilty of



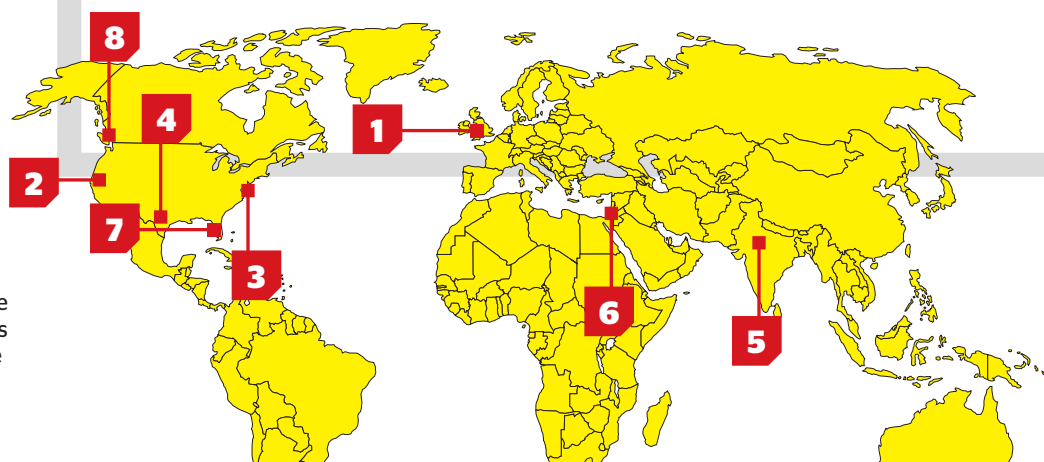
Judge Kenneth Lester Jr. MCT

profiling, that he spotted the teenager in his neighborhood, assumed he was about to commit a crime then chased him and murdered him.



# House boat?

**8** A sea barge carries three homes into the Pacific Ocean off the Strait of Georgia on Wednesday on their way to Vancouver Island, Canada. The middle house, a heritage home originally from Vancouver, was saved from demolition. **REUTERS**



# Daughter lifts car off dad

A Virginia woman is being hailed as a hero after she reportedly lifted a car off her father and performed CPR, saving his life.

Alec Kornacki was in the family garage Saturday working on a car when a jack holding it up slipped, according to Kristen Kornacki, another one of his daughters.

Lauren Kornacki, the daughter who rescued him, found her father pinned to the ground and unresponsive.

"She proceeded to lift up the car, pull him out and then give him CPR," said Kristen Kornacki.

Lauren Kornacki, 22, who lives in Glen Allen, near Richmond, is trained as a lifeguard.

"It flashed like, oh my God, I'm going to lose my dad," she said. "I knew I had to get his heart beating again."

Alec Kornacki is being treated at the Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center.

According to his daughter Kristen, he is "healing fantastically."

# THE DIGIT

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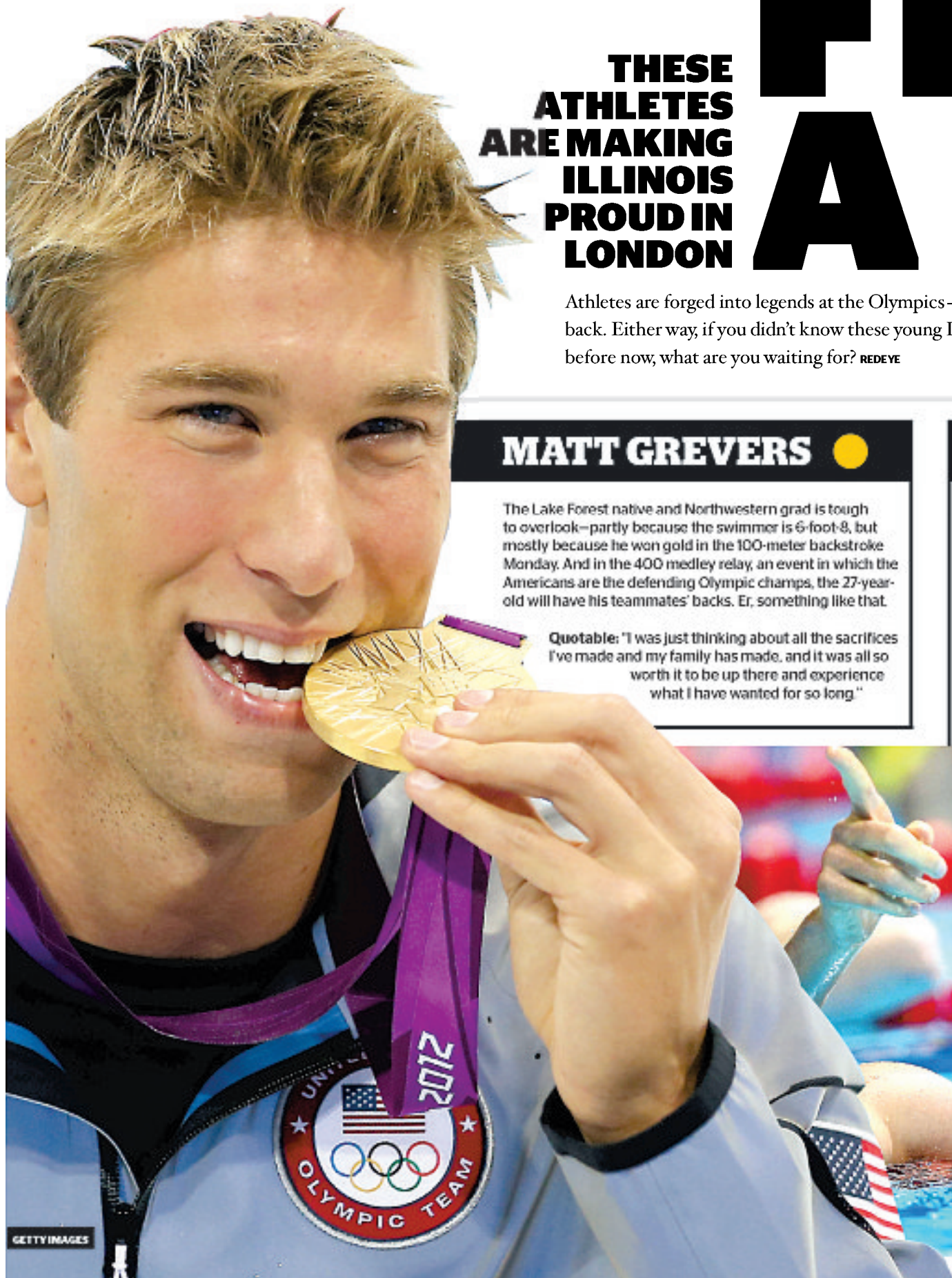
The Lake Forest native and Northwestern grad is tough to overlook—partly because the swimmer is 6-foot-8, but mostly because he won gold in the 100-meter backstroke Monday. And in the 400 medley relay, an event in which the Americans are the defending Olympic champs, the 27-year-old will have his teammates' backs. Er, something like that.

**Quotable:** "I was just thinking about all the sacrifices I've made and my family has made, and it was all so worth it to be up there and experience what I have wanted for so long."

## CONOR DWYER

The Winnetka native's effort in the 800-meter freestyle relay Tuesday was crucial in helping a certain superstar earn his record 19th Olympic medal. Swimming the second leg after Ryan Lochte, the 23-year-old Dwyer clocked 1 minute, 45.23 seconds, 0.29 faster than he had swam in the heats. You're welcome, Michael Phelps.

**Quotable:** "Four years ago I was watching [Phelps] break history and now I got to be a part of it. It's unbelievable."



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## KELCI BRYANT

Synchronized diving? That's a thing? Yep. Bryant (right), a 23-year-old Chatham native, teamed with Abby Johnston to win silver in the 3-meter synchronized diving competition Sunday. In doing so, they earned the United States' first diving medals since 2000. Not bad for a pair that had been diving together for only two years.

**Quotable:** "Our goal was to hit every one of our dives to the best that we could do. We did that. The medal is definitely a good bonus."



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## SARAH ZELENKA

The Itasca native, 25, (right) and her rowing partner, Sara Hendershot, finished fourth in the women's pair event Wednesday. They were in second heading into the last 500 meters before they were overtaken by a pair of boats. Points for effort, though.

**Quotable:** "When you finish it like this, it gives you a desire to keep going [and compete in 2016]. I'm just so competitive. You get greedy when you want something and you can't have it."

## GRANT AND ROSS JAMES

Three-tenths of a second. That's all that separated the U.S. men's eight rowing team from a bronze medal Wednesday. The American crew—which includes 25-year-old twins Grant (left) and Ross James of DeKalb—came from last after the first 1,000 meters to take fourth. Better luck next time ...

**Quotable:** "We're still young guys," Grant James said. "I think we still have some time to develop and get better. We didn't want to waste this opportunity, but I feel like we will stick with it."

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### BOUND FOR GLORY?

Don't be surprised to find gold around the necks of these local athletes before the Games are over:



» **Bob Willis** (sailing): At 13th, he's in good position to qualify for the medal race in RS:X windsurfing.



» **Amy LePeilbet** (soccer): The Americans are 3-0 and the top-ranked team in the world.

» Andre Iguodala and Deron Williams (basketball): Spain and maybe Argentina could challenge the U.S. men, but it's not likely.

» Tamika Catchings, Swin Cash, Candace Parker and Sylvia Fowles (basketball): Losing is not in the American women's team's vocabulary.

» Dawn Harper (track and field): She's the defending gold medalist in the 100-meter hurdles.

» Sean Rooney (volleyball): The U.S. men are the defending gold medalists and are 2-0 so far at these Games.

# RING IT ON!

WHAT'S BUZZING AT THE GAMES TODAY

TIDAL WAVE



### PHELPS-O-METER

#### Tracking our golden boy

Michael Phelps vs. Ryan Lochte, Part 2. Thursday features the finals of the 200-meter individual medley, in which Lochte holds the world record. And before that showdown, Phelps will try to qualify for the 100 butterfly finals. Hold on to your boats. Er, butts.

### EVENT OF THE DAY

#### Women's gymnastics: All-around final

7 p.m. NBC

It should be easy for the tearful Jordyn Wieber to put on a happy face for U.S. teammates Aly Raisman and Gabby Douglas, two of the event favorites. They'll be pushed by the Russians, who can't botch nearly as many landings as they did the other night. Can they?

### SHOCKER OF THE DAY, PT 1

Some athletes get booted from the Olympics for blood doping, steroid use or racist tweets. Others get sent home for, well, not trying hard enough. Eight women's badminton players from South Korea, India and Indonesia were expelled from the Games for intentionally losing matches in an attempt to manipulate the draw. Uh, isn't the idea to try and win?

### SHOCKER OF THE DAY, PT 2

Somehow, American Mariel Zagunis—the two-time defending gold medalist—coughed up a 12-6 lead in her individual saber semifinal, losing 15-13. Then she lost the bronze-medal match. She's probably fine, but if it were us, handling sharp objects wouldn't be the best idea right about now.

## MEDAL TRACKER



FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
<b>CHINA</b> 30	<b>U.S.A.</b> 29	<b>JAPAN</b> 17
● 17 ● 9 ● 4 TOTAL	● 12 ● 8 ● 9 TOTAL	● 2 ● 4 ● 11 TOTAL



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# DIVE IN

Some of these panelists may have gone off the deep end. We'll let you be the judge.



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<b>1</b> Who is Chicago sports' version of Michael Phelps?	Ripped body. Good at his sport. Friendly with Mary Jane. Gotta be Joakim Noah.	Someone who has achieved something in a sport I pay no attention to? I have no idea.	Patrick Kane: Wins big prize, gets in trouble for extracurriculars, people say he's not as good, but he's still elite.	World-class athlete Phelps or righteous bong hit Phelps?	The scoreboard at the United Center. That's some top-notch hardware.
<b>2</b> Instead of gold medals, what should they give Olympic champions?	They don't need anything. They are set for the rest of their life. At like, 20.	A pass to do anything anywhere for free forever. And one for the guy who came up with the idea.	A reality show for the next four years so people don't forget them as easily.	A job. Think an English degree is useless? Try getting work as a discus thrower.	Knee pads. Humans will need them when the machines rule the Earth. MWAHAHAHA.
<b>3</b> Which recently traded Cub will you miss most?	None of them. What did they accomplish that the new guys can't? Exactly.	Did you ask them which RedEye writer they'll miss the most?	None of them. They're nothing but bad memories at this point—like your ex's old sweatshirt.	Soto—from 2008.	Whichever one had the latest iPhone.
<b>4</b> Matt Garza is still a Cub because ...	... God hates him, apparently.	... other teams don't like it when you say, "We're just going to see if the ball will pitch itself today."	... no one else will take him. Insert sad face here.	... he prefers the challenge of winning without run support.	... trading him did not compute.
<b>5</b> Sox pitcher John Danks needs season-ending surgery. Console him.	"At least you're not a Cub."	"The entire series of 'The Wonder Years' is streaming on Netflix. Enjoy and feel better."	"At least you won't be there when the Sox inevitably collapse in September."	"Since you were injured after the trade deadline, you won't have to move with a broken shoulder."	"Relax. Now you get more time with your computer. Get used to it."

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Even Olympians can have  
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School picture day. We all remember it. Even the most photogenic among us, at some point, ended up looking absolutely terrible. The same is true for the 2012 Olympians. From epic to awkward, RedEye took a look through the mugs on the London 2012 website and found that some of the world's best athletes aren't always camera-ready. [MSWASKO@TRIBUNE.COM](mailto:MSWASKO@TRIBUNE.COM) | [MICKSWASKO@TRIBUNE.COM](mailto:MICKSWASKO@TRIBUNE.COM) | [ERWILKINS@TRIBUNE.COM](mailto:ERWILKINS@TRIBUNE.COM) | [@ERNESTWILKINS](mailto:@ERNESTWILKINS)



**Michael Phelps**

USA, swimming

OH! Oh, jeeze. Mike, you scared us. Are you all right, man?



**Nathan Deakes**

Australia, race walking

Nathan! Nathan Deakes! Race walker Nathan Deakes! Calm down, man. It's just a picture. Save the intensity, dude.



**Predrag Filipovic**

Serbia, race walking

Go ahead, say it: Filipovic's head shot is kind of creepy. But he can probably walk faster than you can run, so keep that in mind.



**Michael Diamond**

Australia, trap shooting

It's probably unwise to point out that Diamond has an epic ass-chin. At 5-foot-9 and 176 pounds, he's not huge, but he's got a gun.



**Dylan Dunlop-Barrett**

New Zealand, swimming

The hairdo isn't going to do wonders in the pool, and in general, it kind of makes you look like a tree from "The Lorax." Shave it.



**James Honeybone**

Great Britain, fencing

I think I saw this guy headlining Warped Tour in 2003. It was All Time Low or something, right?



**Jonathan Paget**

New Zealand, equestrian

Everyone gets a comb on picture day. You decided not to use yours. You deserve this.



**Romano Battisti**

Italy, rowing

Wait a second. Does your country know you're replacing the U.S. via a scarf you probably spent too much on? We're not mad, though.



**Ondrej Polivka**

Czech Republic, modern pentathlon

If Andy Samberg and Jay Cutler had a love child, this would be the result.



**Iain Percy**

Great Britain, sailing

Iain, you knew picture day was coming. The whole "lost at sea" look goes with your event, but come on.





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## Fixing problems may require Magic



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As a proud and loyal South Side Cubs fan, I'm familiar with adversity.

As an African-American, my devotion to the team at Waveland and Addison surprises people because Wrigleyville is not the most "colorful" neighborhood in Chicago, so how could my fandom arise?

Simple—the exposure of seeing the Cubs every day (thanks to my dad and WGN) was all I needed to make up my mind that it was the team for me.

These players became my heroes because not only were they good, but they looked like me. Shawn Dunston, Lee Smith and Andre "The Hawk" Dawson and his thunderous, hacksaw swing were the epitome of cool.

Even Ryne Sandberg—with whom I admittedly don't share a resemblance—influenced me to wear No. 23 as a Little League second baseman because I wanted to emulate his smooth and easygoing swing I saw every day.

Seeing is believing.

Which brings us to Ervin "Magic" Johnson, the super-wealthy activist/former NBA superstar who this year became part owner of the L.A. Dodgers—who take on the Cubs this weekend.

It doesn't take Christopher Columbus to discover baseball is not the most popular of sports in black neighborhoods. One could blame the cost of equipment or lack of usable diamonds, but the biggest reason is kids in these communities don't see enough of themselves on the major league fields and feel disconnected.

Ken Griffey Jr. is a baseball god, but sadly even his popularity was overcast by the steroid era. And you could probably name on one hand all the African-American superstars currently in the league.

What Johnson is doing with regular appearances on "SportsCenter" is showing kids that not only is baseball a cool sport to play, but that owning a team one day is possible.

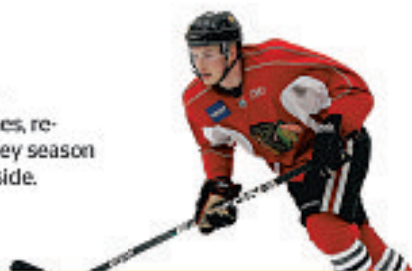
This move won't end gang violence or stop senseless murders in communities, but a step like this, with him running the same team that gave Jackie Robinson a chance, may have more inner-city kids dusting off cleats, swinging for the fences and, hopefully, believing in Magic.

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Despite this season's early heat waves, summer came late for some of the city's most anticipated outdoor spaces. After a few delays, the patio furniture is out and ready for action. Whether you prefer to primp, pose and people watch at a sophisticated rooftop lounge or kick back with a brew in a shady beer garden, one of these 10 new additions should be just the right fit.

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### FOR VIEW SEEKERS

**The J. Parker** 1816 N. Clark St. 312-254-4747

**The scene:** My opening-night visit to Hotel Lincoln's 13th-floor rooftop earlier this week was pretty breezy, so hold on to your hats, cocktail napkins and tips for your bartender. Sweeping vistas of the lakefront, downtown skyline and Lincoln Park beat the building-blocked views of most rooftop bars. Some space is saved for walk-ins and there's a bit of standing room at the outdoor bar, but a reservation for one of the high-top tables or clusters of couches is recommended.

**The crowd:** The fashionable sort I expected for a new spot from Boka Restaurant Group (which runs Perennial Virant on the same block, plus Girl & the Goat, GT Fish & Oyster and others) sporting designer shades, bowties, cocktail dresses and suits. —LISA ARNETT

### FOR PENTHOUSE PEOPLE WATCHERS

**Drumbar** 201 E. Delaware Place 312-943-5000

**The scene:** After an elevator ride to the Raffaello Hotel's 18th floor, cushy chairs and couches with primo Gold Coast views await. From sleek outdoor fireplaces to huge umbrellas blocking the sun, the decor—and the clientele—screams swank. Call ahead to put your name on the guest list or risk waiting at the door.

**The crowd:** Drumbar has a legit dress code (no flip-flops, hats or denim shorts after 8 p.m.), but I doubt the staff has to enforce it too often, what with ladies preening in short, colorful dresses and men in well-tailored linen shirts. Sip that \$15 cocktail slowly and wait for the DJ to start spinning if you want to see the place really come alive. —KATE BERNOT





## FOR THOSE WITH BACKYARD ENVY

### Ada Street

1664 N. Ada St. 773-697-7069

**The scene:** Behind this tucked-away East Bucktown bar/restaurant, a garage door opens up to a walled-in hideaway with tin tables for two and picnic tables for groups, all nestled on bright green artificial turf. Checkered napkins, a pingpong table, string lights and a grill complete the backyard bar-becue theme. Though the dining room accepts reservations, patio seating is first-come, first-served. Expect a wait after 8 p.m.

**The crowd:** Groups of 20- and 30-somethings split time between ordering “just one more” round of cocktails and calling dibs on the next game of pingpong. As the night wears on, the music grows louder and drinks keep flowing—and with cocktails priced at \$11, tabs rack up quickly.

—EMILY VAN ZANDT



## FOR LAID-BACK LOUNGERS

### Derby Bar & Grill

1224 W. Webster Ave. 773-248-0900

**The scene:** Patio-goers may not normally want to be tucked between two tall buildings, but the greenery-covered walls that enclose this Lincoln Park bar's outdoor area lend a sense of comfort to the space, separated from the quiet street by a gate through which there's not much to see.

**The crowd:** Though we spotted a couple or two, on a recent Saturday afternoon Derby's patio was filled with groups of 20-somethings and their parents, as well as other casually dressed friends. A few ate; no one paid attention to the Sox game and golf on the TVs. Almost everyone drank beer, including one young woman who chose a cheap domestic bottle over the bar's solid list of brews.

—MATT PAIS

## FOR MUST-TRY-EVERYTHING SCENESTERS

### Estate Ultra Bar 1177 N. Elston Ave. 312-582-4777

**The scene:** The rooftop at this out-of-the-way riverfront bar doesn't really deliver in the “ultra” department; service wasn't as smooth as expected for a hangout aiming to be high-end. There's a lengthy list of fancy cocktails that weren't actually available at the rooftop bar, but my server said I could order one downstairs and bring it up, provided it was in a plastic cup. I ordered sparkling wine instead, which she brought in a flute made of ... glass. Redeeming factors: Sofa seating is first-come, first-served until 8 p.m., and the downtown skyline view to one side almost makes up for the unsightly Division Street bridge on the other.

**The crowd:** Cleavage-baring girls and polo-clad guys kicked back next to a couple with kids. If your life goal is to hit every rooftop lounge in the city, give it a try—but you probably won't need to come back. —L.A.



## FOR DRINK DISCIPLES

### The Fountainhead 1970 W. Montrose Ave. 773-697-8204

**The scene:** This Ravenswood bar's rooftop beer garden is two years in the making—and it's worth the wait. It isn't large (when I went, it was one in, one out), but the beer and cocktail list more than made up for it. Tall wooden slats and a covered bar area cast shade for those anxious about sunburns.

**The crowd:** Clearly more concerned about what they're drinking than what they're wearing, everyone shared sips of craft beers and unique cocktails with friends. But that's not to say the crowd wasn't fashionable—there were plenty of cute summer dresses and heels to go around. —TRENT KOLAND

## FOR DOWNTOWN WORKER BEES

### Tavern Tree House

130 E. Randolph St. 312-552-0070

**The scene:** To find the no-reservations rooftop at Tavern at the Park near Millennium Park, walk east on Randolph past the sidewalk seating and around the bushes to the host stand. Up a flight of stairs is a glass-walled space with misting fans and views of the Cultural Center, Michigan Avenue and, of course, the park.

**The crowd:** Some folks wore business suits and others shorts and sandals, but it wasn't squeeze-your-way-through crowded. No one watched the TV above the bar tuned to ESPN, and more shockingly, nobody was glued to a phone. Unlike nearby Roof at The Wit, this isn't a see-and-be-seen place; instead, I was able to relax, catch up with friends and enjoy the scenery. —LEONOR VIVANCO



## FOR JET-SETTER WANNABES

### Barcito 151 W. Erie St. 312-274-1111

**The scene:** Modeled after Spain's pintxo bars, the catchphrase at this River North bar adjacent to restaurant Tavernita is “Stand and eat,” but “Sit and drink” works, too. Even with all-you-can-eat pintxos (snacks) whipped up by guest chefs for \$25 on select Mondays, most hands clutched cocktails. Floor-to-ceiling windows open up to sidewalk seating, which wraps around the corner of LaSalle and Erie.

**The crowd:** Think girls-night-out groups, co-workers decompressing and couples getting cozy on dates. There's no need to sport your finest clubwear, but you won't feel out of place in a suit or dress, either. The '90s hip-hop on a recent, beautiful Monday didn't overpower conversation, but on weekend nights, both the music and the crowd pump up to a higher volume. —CHRIS SOSA

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### Bang Bang Pie Shop

2051 N. California Ave. 773-276-8888

**The scene:** The side courtyard at this Logan Square pie and biscuit shop feels more like a neighbor's backyard than a restaurant patio. Half a dozen red picnic tables are spread out across an ample lawn, and strings of globe lights add to the summer cookout atmosphere.

**The crowd:** Weekend morning regulars are likely pushing a fixed-gear bike, a stroller, or one of each. For every beard or sailor tattoo, there's a kid or two running around, making for a convivial, hodgepodge clientele that clearly is united only by a love of flaky crusts, house-roasted coffee and morning indulgence. —K.B.

## More late-blooming patios

Check out [redeyechicago.com](http://redeyechicago.com) for details on more outdoor spaces still to open this season, including those at RM Champagne Salon, City Winery and more.



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### Homestead

1924 W. Chicago Ave. 773-645-4949

**The scene:** A few other restaurants use their rooftops to grow produce, but this open-air hangout (enter through Roots Handmade Pizza) takes it to another level by serving customers alongside a mini-meadow of flowering herbs. Tables crafted from doors and barn wood sit in the shade cast by two taller buildings on either side—one covered with the vines of vegetable plants. Those veggies and herbs are used not just for the food on the menu, but also the intricately flavored cocktails.

**The crowd:** My table neighbors included sundress-clad ladies and plaid-wearing chaps, plus one gray-haired couple who lost their receipt between the slats of the deck floor. Pro tip: Invite your most punctual pals. Only complete parties can be seated, and drinks ordered while waiting at Roots' bar downstairs can't be brought upstairs. —L.A.



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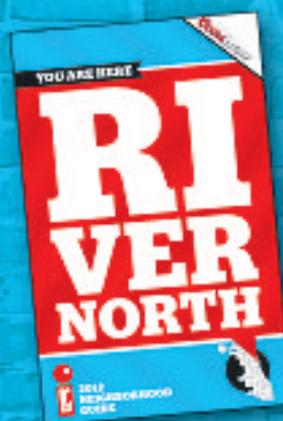
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## Play by the Olympic drinking game rules



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Displays of united patriotism are few in bars these days. Instead, we spend most of our time yelling at one another over whose alma mater reigns for the night. But those in need of a hearty "USA!" chant are in luck—never is toasting the accomplishments of ripped 17-year-olds more accepted than at a

pub during the Olympics. Even if you're not a Games addict, it's hard not to get swept up in the cheers as an American-flag-festooned swim cap breaks away from the pack. And if you're going to be spending the next week staring at screens with a drink in hand, you might as well make the best of it with the most patriotic of drinking games. Fans are no doubt making their own rules in bars across town, but here are a few to get you started:

» Anyone who can't name all the events in the Modern Pentathlon buys a round.  
 » One drink any time a rhythmic gymnast picks up/throws/catches anything with her feet. Sympathy chug for 10 seconds if a hoop is dropped.

» Two drinks if anyone complains that the

FIABA-issued basketball is slippery or over-inflated. Finish your drink if it's pointed out how odd Team USA basketball coach Mike Krzyzewski looks in red.

» Pour out a drink if the Netherlands' women's field hockey team does not advance. Shots for anyone who hasn't Google Image-searched the team yet.

» Drink any time Ryan Seacrest inexplicably ends up on screen. Drink your way through any and all John McEnroe special reports.

» One drink at a mention of Michael Phelps' record-breaking. Two drinks any time Ryan Lochte looks kind of pissed. Shotgun a beer if there's finally a Phelps-Lochte fist fight.

» Two drinks if the camera catches someone forgetting the words to our national anthem. Polite refueling break if the camera catches someone crying after a poor performance.

» Finish your drink if you maybe thought handball and racquetball were the same thing.

» Two drinks every time sand is flicked from inappropriate places during beach volleyball.

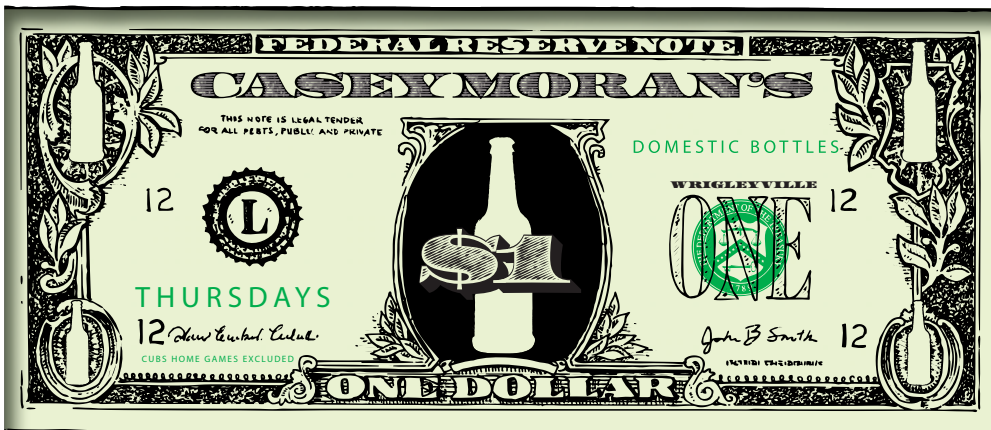
» Group waterfall while hopping on one foot any time Kerri Strug is shown in montages or mentioned in commentary.

Have any other suggestions? Send 'em my way. We'll add the best online so the rest of the Chicago drinking world can join in.

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## The Shrine

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**Most crowded:** Like most clubs, this South Loop hangout gets especially crowded Saturdays around midnight. As a concert venue, crowds also swell depending on the night's act. Expect Sunday nights to be anything but calm with both house music and reggae parties happening in different parts of the club.

**Average wait:** Saturdays quickly can hit capacity after midnight, but the staff tries to keep people from waiting more than 10 minutes.

**Least crowded:** For a no-wait situation, arrive around 10 p.m.

**Reservations:** Reservations for tables (with bottle service) are accepted via phone or through the club's website.



## Tips for checking out some of the busiest bars

By Emily Van Zandt | REDEYE

Being blessed with a city full of nightlife destinations comes with its price: Friday and Saturday nights can mean waiting around for a table or bar stool, if you get in at all. But with a few minor adjustments and a little planning, no spot is untouchable. Thanks to lunchtime hours, many hot venues—including new seafood and absinthe bar The Savoy in Wicker Park—are open for mid-day imbibing. And if weekend crowds are crushing, consider taking up bar space on a Tuesday or Wednesday. You may have to work the next day, but at least you can get in, get out and get on your way with less of a hassle. Before you plan your next night out, consult our guide to the best and worst times to snag a table at these favorites. [EVANZANDT@TRIBUNE.COM](mailto:EVANZANDT@TRIBUNE.COM) | [@REDEYEDRINKS](https://twitter.com/REDEYEDRINKS)



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## Deuce's and the Diamond Club

3505 N. Clark St. 773-644-5554

**Most crowded:** This dual-level Wrigleyville spot generally hits its peak from 7 to 11:30 p.m. week-ends, and directly after home Cubs games you can expect a line. The upstairs Diamond Club opens at 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and generally has a line by 11 p.m.

**Average peak wait:** 15 minutes

**Least crowded:** Beat the line by hitting the bar Mondays, Tuesdays or Wednesdays when the Cubs are away.

**Reservations:** Claim a table and cabanas at Diamond Club by phone or email ([info@deucesandthediamondclub.com](mailto:info@deucesandthediamondclub.com)). The downstairs bar plans to have reservations available on OpenTable starting in late August.



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## The Bad Apple

4300 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-360-8406

**Most crowded:** It seems like everyone in North Center has a craving for this tavern's burgers from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Saturdays and (strangely) Wednesday nights around the same time.

**Average wait:** On a busy Wednesday night, you may wait 20 minutes, but Saturdays waits can stretch past an hour for a table.

**Least crowded:** Take a long lunch and stop by on Thursday during the day. The bar opens at 11:30 a.m. and you'll have no problem finding a seat.

**Reservations:** Reservations generally are not accepted, but at peak hours you can leave a cell number and the hostess will call when your table is ready.



## Public House

400 N. State St. 312-265-1240

**Most crowded:** This River North pub hits its peak Fridays and Saturdays with a line forming around 10:30 p.m.

**Average peak wait:** Booths and table-taps can book up weeks in advance, but for standing room at the bar, the wait varies depending on what's happening that night (hint: game days are tough).

**Least crowded:** Hit Public House for a weekday lunch or early dinner for the best chance of avoiding lines.

**Reservations:** All tables in the main area are first-come, first-served but booth seating and tables with their trademark table-taps are reservation only, available by phone or email ([info@publichousechicago.com](mailto:info@publichousechicago.com)).





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### Maude's Liquor Bar

840 W. Randolph St.  
312-243-9712

**Most crowded:** Expect a packed house at this tiny French bar in the West Loop every day between 8 and 10 p.m. Fridays are the busiest overall evening.

**Average peak wait:** Around an hour. You can wait at the bar, but it's often so crowded that you'll have to head outside and wait for a call from the host.

**Least crowded:** Early in the week or early in the day (think dinner at 5 p.m.) is the best bet for walk-ins.

**Reservations:** Hit **open table.com** eight to 10 days in advance for the best seating choices.



### Boiler Room

2210 N. California Ave. 773-276-5625

**Most crowded:** To see the biggest crowds at this Logan Square pizza joint, show up between 6 p.m. and midnight Fridays and try to shove your way to the bar.

**Average peak wait:** At its busiest, you could be waiting 25 to 30 minutes for a table.

**Least crowded:** Sunday through Wednesday nights are decidedly more chill.

**Reservations:** They aren't accepted, but you can always hang out at the bar while you wait.



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### Debonair Social Club

1575 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-227-7990

**Most crowded:** This Wicker Park dance spot get the typical club crowd with lines forming on Saturday nights around midnight. Monday night party Rehab tends to hit its peak around 11 p.m.

**Average peak wait:** It varies wildly based on who's spinning that night. Expect big lines for Lollapalooza after-parties this weekend.

**Least crowded:** You'll likely walk right in if you arrive before 11 p.m. any night.

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# Alabama Shakes singer doesn't sweat the buzz

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Alabama Shakes' pre-Lolla show Wednesday at Metro sold out early, which should come as no surprise. Everything has happened at a breakneck pace for the young Southern rock band, one that was playing barroom Zeppelin covers in its hometown of Athens, Ala., just two years ago.

In just the past 12 months, the Shakes opened for Jack White, rocked "Letterman" and "Conan" and sent their debut album, "Boys & Girls," into the Billboard Top 10. They play a 4:15 p.m. set Saturday at Lolla's Bud Light stage. If you ask powerhouse frontwoman Brittany Howard, 23, about it, her response is as earnest as a Southern-fried riff.

"I have no idea," she said recently. "Maybe it has something to do with the fact we're not really trying to be cool or fool anybody."

Pretense has never been part of the Alabama Shakes equation. Formed in 2009, the punk-tinged blues outfit struck buzz gold right off the bat with a modest four-song EP in 2011, one that spurred a blog frenzy and found a kindred spirit in Drive-By Truckers frontman Patterson Hood, who slotted the rookie band to open several Truckers shows last year. The New York Times, NPR and the rest of the taste-making pack were soon on board.

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Wasting no time, the band issued "Boys & Girls" in April. Buoyed by the slow-burning single "Hold On," the album escapes revisionist blues-rock trappings by injecting swampy soul, punk-rock punch and surplus swagger. The reviews—which Howard says she shuns—strike a common chord: The Shakes are bursting with raw potential.

"I feel we still have a lot to learn as a band," Howard said, echoing that sentiment. "Reading about how great you are is not gonna help. Instead, you should create something or write something. To me, it's a waste."

Learning how to channel the band's mishmash tastes is part of the learning process—and it's also part of the fun. While Howard admits that comparisons with the Black Keys and White Stripes are apt, she says less obvious influences, such as Black Sabbath and David Bowie, also are present in the mix.

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# Rick Ross in all his glory

## ALBUM REVIEW



### God Forgives, I Don't Rick Ross



By Kyle Kramer  
FOR REDEYE

As anyone can see, Rick Ross is a man with a prodigious appetite and a frame to match. The former corrections officer has become one of the most successful rappers alive, as well as one of the most notable owners of a celebrity label

imprint, the lavishly titled Maybach Music Group. He opens his verses with a signature grunt and raps in a rumbling bark. He had two in-flight seizures in one day this fall. These things we know.

However, according to the content of his albums, including the new "God Forgives, I Don't," Rick Ross is harder to pin down. On record, Rick Ross is a rags-to-riches drug kingpin. His drugs are ostensibly imported from Haiti, Colombia or Venezuela. He at one point had an empty fridge. He still carries a gun, which matches his watch. He has floor seats for the Miami Heat, which

cost \$20,000. A Rick Ross guest verse costs \$100,000. He owns the following brands of cars: Porsche, Maybach (discontinued), Ferrari, BMW, Jaguar, Cadillac, Lamborghini and Land Rover. His aforementioned seizures were the result of receiving certain sexual attentions on a private jet. Rick Ross' friends include the compulsively unlikeable Wale, but also Jay-Z and Andre 3000, who can both deliver jaw-dropping, unconventionally brilliant rap verses. Rick Ross owns a \$24,000 toilet.

It's hard to say what's real and what isn't. Here's a hint, though: The drug kingpin stuff is not real.

Not that it matters—Ross basks in hip-hop's malleable narratives and reuses familiar archetypes as readily as a James Cameron movie, cycling through familiar hip-hop and pop culture personas. Ross's rap is escapist and opulent, although not as warm as it once was. He doesn't care if you don't find this album as good as his last album because Rick Ross is, above all, an idea of success. "God Forgives, I Don't" is a document of that idea, in all its fun, over-the-top and sometimes less-than-appealing glory.

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# Frank memoir a wild ride

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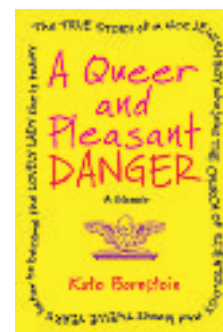
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In Kate Bornstein's new memoir, "A Queer and Pleasant Danger," the transgender writer and speaker admits it's not readers she's really speaking to.

She's directing the story of her life at her own daughter—from the years spent currying L. Ron Hubbard's favor as a Scientologist to the time she served as a BDSM "slave" to two women in Seattle.

That child, Jessica, is now grown, with kids of her own. According to Bornstein, Jessica remains in the upper echelons of Scientology and wouldn't be able to contact ousted relatives like her mother. So she speaks to her estranged daughter through her memoir, released earlier this summer.

With Scientology in the headlines following the breakup of Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes, it's fascinating to read chapters about the nascent movement back in a time when Scientologists like Bornstein would never have considered it a religion. Bornstein, back when she was "Al Bornstein," met Hubbard and moved up rapidly through the



ranks, eventually hitting a bizarre and 007-like snag in her Scientology career.

After leaving Scientology, Bornstein decided it was time to fully devote herself to getting gender reassignment surgery and began living as a woman full-time. Soon, she was in the bondage and domination scene, and she's frank—sometimes to the point of creeping you out—with

the details of what a night spent in BDSM "play" can be like.

Eventually, Bornstein evolves into her current incarnation as a gender theorist, writer and performer. It's an unbelievable ride (or at least it would be if it were a story told by someone else).

The experience of peeking into Bornstein's mind can be at times thrilling, voyeuristic and confusing. But the storytelling never stops being entertaining.

The book will delight Bornstein's fans with new material and introduce the uninitiated to a truly unique spirit. Either way, it will be fun, funny and never mean.

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Kate Bornstein,  
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## 'Dangerous' gender activist takes a look back

By Georgia Garvey | REDEYE

Kate Bornstein describes herself as queer and truly is quite pleasant—but a danger?

Not likely, unless you're a Scientologist, transphobic, fussy or offended by brutally honest sex talk. OK, so there are certainly some people who might consider her dangerous. Her books—including her new memoir "A Queer and Pleasant Danger"—and her statements that she feels like neither fully man nor fully woman have won her fans and critics alike.

Bornstein, who joined the Church of Scientology and then publicly distanced herself from it, visits the Center on Halsted in Lakeview this weekend. She will be reading at Women and Children First bookstore in Andersonville at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, speaking at the Center at 7 p.m. Saturday and leading an acting workshop for queer youth Sunday. RedEye sat down with Bornstein for a Q&A about everything from Katie Holmes to gender-queer activism.

**Congrats on your new memoir. Was it harder to write than you thought it would be?**

Oh, golly, yes. I mean, you know, I'm really old. So there was a lot of ground to cover.

**You were once a Scientologist. What's your take on the Tom Cruise/Katie Holmes situation?**

Katie Holmes is like the biggest danger [Scientology has] ever faced. Really, truly, I love that girl. I think she's like a feminist role model. She stood up to them, got what she wanted and now the church is scrambling to save face.

**What's the next frontier in civil rights or gender activism?**

What needs to happen on the left and the transgender collective movements, they need to get together to form a true coalition of the margins.

**I wanted to talk a little bit about "Hello, Cruel World." I know it's not a new book, but it seems like it laid the groundwork for the "It Gets Better" campaign.**

I got the idea for the book after 9/11, maybe six months after 9/11. ... I went, 'What the [bleep] value is post-modern gender theory in a world this mad?' ... [But] the one thing I know how to do is stay alive in a world that would rather see me dead—for lots of reasons, dead or silent. So I thought, OK, I'll write a suicide prevention book.

**Really?**

Everything I found advised kids to be good. Just, be good. No! And no one was saying, 'No, no baby, be bad. That's what's going to keep you alive.' ... That preceded the 'it gets better thing,' but Dan Savage really, really nailed it and did a good job of it.

**What are you going to do when you're in Chicago?**

You know, when I'm in Chicago, I really like walking down by the river. That is such a gentle, yummy thing to do. And I know it's a touristy thing to do, but I love walking all the way to the end and out on the pier. I think it's just awesome that you have that.


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## Nealon still down with stand-up

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After comedian Kevin Nealon made his TV debut on "The Tonight Show" back in 1984, he's worked in arenas both familiar ("Saturday Night Live") and unexpected ("Weeds"). Nealon returns to his stand-up comedy roots Saturday with a TV special, "Whelmed...But Not Overly," at 9:30 p.m. on Showtime. He spoke recently about the stand-up and the worst heckling he's ever endured.



**Kevin Nealon**  
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### You've been doing stand-up comedy a long time. Do you still like it?

I love it. It's what I started doing, and the acting came secondary. I grew up watching stand-ups and thought it was so entertaining and unique—you didn't see that as a job description anywhere.

### Ever been heckled?

Not usually, but I had one terrible time. I brought this friend of a friend to a club in Dallas. My friend couldn't make the show and asked me to pick up this woman who was her roommate. So I drove her to the club, and I guess she'd had some wine, and she sat right in front of the stage and kept drinking through the opening acts. By the time I got

on she was pretty sloshed—and she immediately started drunk heckling me.

### Didn't the management throw her out?

No, because they saw me arrive with her and assumed she was a friend—and I didn't even know her!

### Talk about no good deed goes unpunished.

Exactly! I actually drove my drunk heckler to my show and gave her a great seat and she passed out at the end. I had to carry her over my shoulder, get her in the car, take her home and wait till my friend got home. I was worried she was going to throw up and drown in her vomit. Not a great night [laughs].



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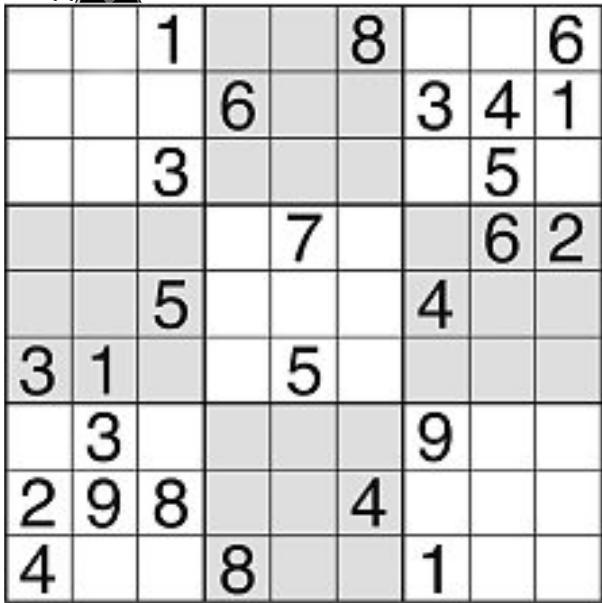
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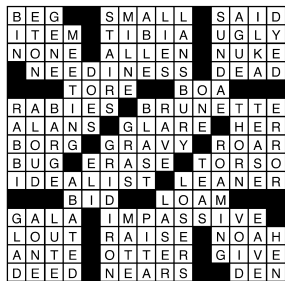
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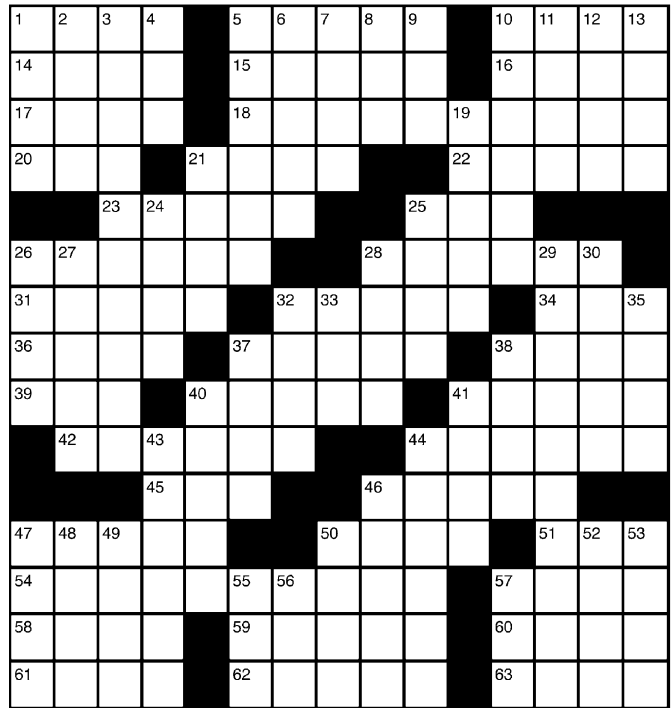


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- 14 Hardly \_\_; seldom
- 15 India's dollar
- 16 \_\_ tide
- 17 Depend
- 18 Elastic wrap for a sprain
- 20 Kill two birds with \_\_ stone
- 21 Twirl
- 22 Lubricated
- 23 Appointed
- 25 Feathery scarf
- 26 \_\_ test; single-issue study of a candidate
- 28 Preserved for eating later
- 31 Creek
- 32 Black suit
- 34 Rule
- 36 Biblical garden
- 37 Plant life
- 38 Place to buy salami and rye
- 39 Sasha, to Mallia
- 40 Skepticism
- 41 Fast car
- 42 Have big hopes
- 44 Girl's bow
- 45 Doesn't \_\_ up; isn't reasonable
- 46 Four-bagger
- 47 Memorize
- 50 Sleep under the stars
- 51 \_\_ Got You Under My Skin"
- 54 Unable to read & write
- 57 Glasgow native
- 58 \_\_ mater; former school
- 59 Intestinal part
- 60 Kidney stone symptom
- 61 Impulsive
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- 2 \_\_ if, although
- 3 Bound and determined
- 4 Thirsty
- 5 Raisins, originally
- 6 Clear; rational
- 7 Many a golf tourney
- 8 Spider creation



- 9 Caribbean \_\_
- 10 Sioux or Hopi
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- 12 Leaf of a book
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- 21 Pornography
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- 29 \_\_ appliances; corded devices
- 30 Valleys
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- 38 Show courage
- 40 "I \_\_ do it!"; claim of innocence
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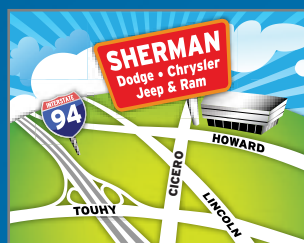
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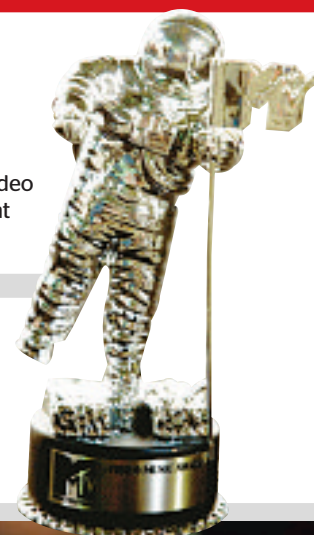
### A yearbook look at the 2012 VMA nominees

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

They're not gonna be saved by the bell—but maybe the moonman trophy? MTV on Tuesday announced its nominees for the Video Music Awards, and the competition is fierce. (And no, we're not just talking about their hairdos.) To get you better acquainted with the Class of 2012, who pick up their MTV awards Sept. 9, we voted (in our heads) for their superlatives. Remember, it's not just a popularity contest, people! [DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM](mailto:DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM) | [@REDEYEDANA](https://twitter.com/REDEYEDANA)

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Find the full list of MTV Video Music Awards nominees at <http://trib.in/QZhRjf>.



**MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED**

## FRANK OCEAN

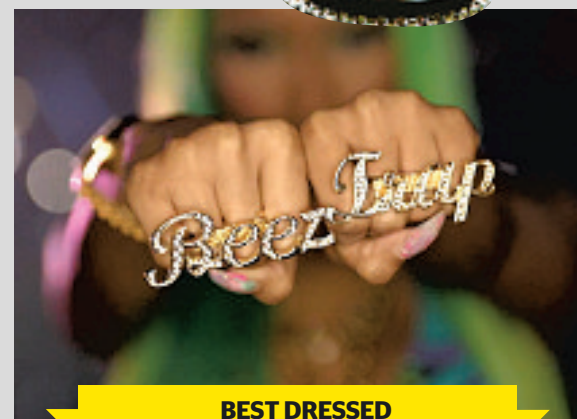
His Odd Future collectivemate Tyler the Creator won the Best New Artist category last year, so it's up to Frank to continue the trend. And with two other noms and a ton of buzz, he's sure to be a fan favorite.



**CLASS CLOWN**

## JUSTIN BIEBER

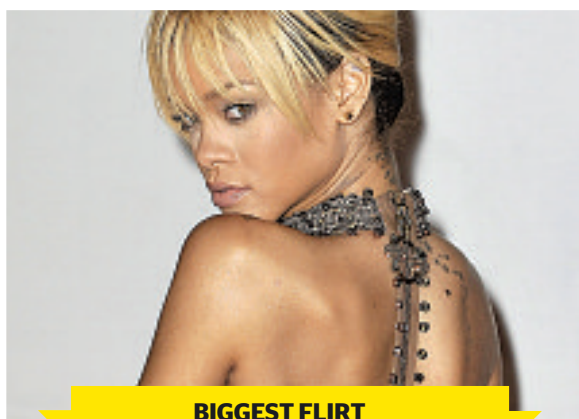
So he's 18 now—so what? There are a lot of serious videos nominated in the best male and female categories, and “Boyfriend” isn't one of them. Unless you consider singing about fondue and Buzz Lightyear while trying really, really hard to become Justin Timberlake serious, which we tend not to do.



**BEST DRESSED**

## NICKI MINAJ

Seriously, have you *seen* the video for “Beez in the Trap,” for which she got a Best Hip-Hop Video nom? The variety of wigs alone gives Nicki the edge here—and we must know where she got those “beez” and “trap” rings.



**BIGGEST FLIRT**

## RIHANNA

She gets lovey-dovey with Drake in the much-nominated video for “Take Care” and has perhaps the ickiest relationship ever with a Chris Brown look-alike in “We Found Love.” Girl can't be tied down.



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## LADY GAGA

The Gag-ster racked up a whopping ZERO nominations this year, after winning two for “Born This Way” in 2011. Anyone want to start the betting on how likely she is to cause some sort of not-entirely-unrelated spectacle?



**MOST CHANGED**

## KATY PERRY

Last year, Katy was VMA nominated for the cotton candy combo platter of “Last Friday Night (T.G.I.F.),” “Firework” and “Teenage Dream.” This year? The moody and moodier duo “Wide Awake” and “Part of Me.” Don't tell us this has nothing to do with Russell Brand.



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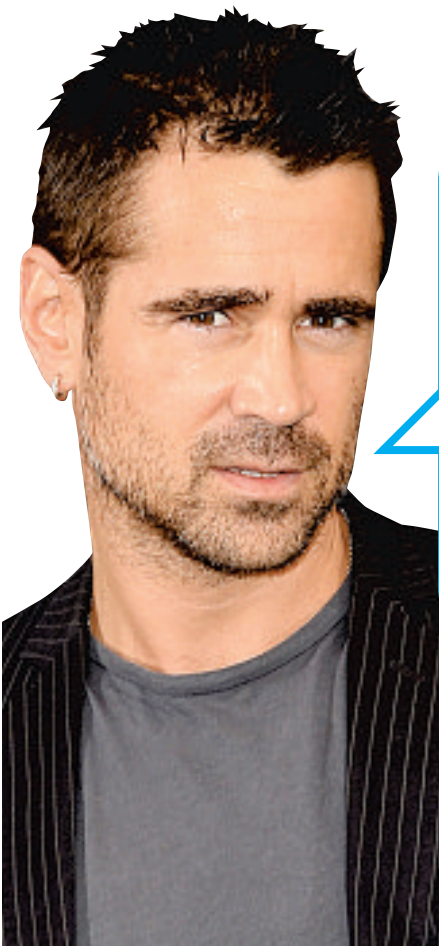


# red hot



**Vaughn's bunch**  
Marcia, Marcia, Marcia? CBS is said to be remaking "The Brady Bunch," with **Vince Vaughn** as executive producer, a source told TheWrap. The reboot will revolve

around Bobby Brady, who is remarried to a woman with children of her own, and with whom he also has a child. OK, then.



**“ I GET OFF ON THAT EVERY SINGLE DAY, MAN.”**

—**Colin Farrell**, to "Extra," on playing the same character as Arnold Schwarzenegger in the remake of "Total Recall," due out Friday



**Jessica Biel**  
GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS

# Biel world

The future Mrs. Justin Timberlake is prepared for the worst on her wedding day. "What everyone has told me is ... things just go wrong, so you just have to be cool about everything," Jessica Biel told "Extra." "I'm sure when and if it ever happens, I will freak out about something as everybody probably does." Wait ... "if"?

## HOT DATE

**AUG. 10**

That's the date of Pepsi Presents StePhest Colbchella '012: Rocktaugustfest in New York, **Stephen Colbert** announced Wednesday on "The Colbert Report." Performers include The Flaming Lips, Fun., Grandmaster Flash, Grizzly Bear and Santigold.



## The big reveal

A five-minute trailer for "Cloud Atlas" on iTunes shows filmmaker Lana Wachowski's new identity. Formerly known as Larry Wachowski, and half of the sibling duo behind "The Matrix," Lana has quietly been transitioning genders for the better part of a decade.

## THE DIGIT

**12** That's how many days it took "The Dark Knight Rises" to earn \$300 million, **thr.com** reports. Only "The Avengers" and "The Dark Knight" did it faster, in nine days and 10 days, respectively.

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